## 2004 ELECTION

## STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 17



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My campaign focuses on improving government and keeping the economy strong for Hawaii's residents.

First, I will work to improve the quality and efficiency of government. The quality of service depends most on the quality of its human resources. For public schools, I will work to make sure that principals and teachers have the flexibility, resources, safety, security and support they need to teach our children.

In Hawaii Kai, if I'm elected I'll work to control the growth of traffic and land developments in the area. I will work to fill the gaps in our public school programs, especially involving new government regulations. I'll also work to ensure local residents have adequate input on city decisions that affect us, especially involving crime prevention and traffic flow.

Regarding the economy, most businesses in our tourism industry are small and locally owned. With our unique diversity, small businesses are also finding new ways to compete globally with technology. I will work to create a business friendly environment for small and medium sized businesses to help provide quality jobs for all sectors of our economy.

I have over 20 years of experience as an educator and in the computer industry. I've been a small business owner and employer for 6 years. My wife Christine is a teacher and my 6-year-old daughter is starting first grade. If elected I will serve the residents of Hawaii Kai and Hawaii with dedication, commitment and pride.